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Southeast Archeological Center Co-hosting National Archaeology Day at Lake Jackson Mounds Archaeological State Park

TALLAHASSEE, Fla. — Bring a picnic lunch, and learn about Archaeology by joining the Southeast Archeological Center and the Department of Environmental Protection's Florida State Parks in celebrating National Archaeology Day! The Southeast Archeological Center (SEAC) is proud to be co-hosting National Archaeology Day events at Lake Jackson Mounds Archaeological State Park in conjunction with Florida State Parks, on Saturday, Oct. 20. The event will take place from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. at the park which is located at 3600 Indian Mounds Road, Tallahassee. The event will include activities for children and adults. A park admission fee of \$3.00 per car applies.

Kid activities include Native American pottery making, archaeological mapping, an on-site archaeology lab, and spear throwing. Speakers include Dr. David Morgan, director of SEAC, and Dr. Joe Knetsch, Tallahassee-based historian, and others. Other booths and activities include Native American cooper breast-plate demonstrations, tours of the Florida State Parks central museum collection facility, artifact identification, Florida Bureau of Archaeological Research, US Forest Service and more. Additionally, Florida State Parks staff including archaeological and biological professionals will be on-hand to discuss interpretation and management of the site. Speakers will begin at 10:30 a.m. and tours will begin at 11:00 a.m.

SEAC is pleased to be working with Florida State Parks, which maintains and interprets the Lake Jackson Mounds Archaeological State Park. The park consists of several large earthen mounds that were built by Native Americans eight centuries ago, and were part of a large village site.

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National Archaeology Day was initiated by the Archaeological Institute of America to help raise awareness about archaeology. This year marks the first year that the National Park Service and Florida State Parks have participated in National Archaeology Day.

For more details about this local National Archaeology Day event, contact Thadra Stanton of the NPS Southeast Archeological Center at 850.580.3011, ext. 239. For more information about the Lake Jackson Mounds Archaeological State Park, contact Terri Messler at 850.922.6007 or visit the park website at www.floridastateparks.org/lakejackson/. Information about the Southeast Archeological Center can be found by visiting the website at www.nps.gov/history/seac/ and also on [Facebook.com/NPSSEAC](https://www.facebook.com/NPSSEAC).